



Llywodraeth Cymru
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WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

TITLE **The Air Quality (Amendment of Domestic Regulations) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018**

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The law which is being amended

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- Regulation (EC) No. 116/2006
- Commission Implementing Decision 2011/850/EC –
- Commission Decision 2015/6674/EU
- Directive (Directive 2004/42/EC).
- Commission Implementing Decision 2012/115/EU
- Directive (2010/75/EU).
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Any impact the SI may have on the Assembly's legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers' executive competence

The protection of air quality falls within competence

The purpose of the amendments

This instrument makes minor and technical amendments to the existing legislation described above to ensure the legislation is operable after EU Exit. The changes in this instrument include necessary fixes such as: amending cross references to EU legislation; amending references to the EU, EU institutions and EU administrative processes to domestic equivalents; updating legal references to refer to relevant domestic legislation; and adjusting the requirements for government reporting as is appropriate

The SI and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, setting out the effect of each amendment is available here: <https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-air-quality-amendment-of-domestic-regulations-eu-exit-regulations-2018>

Why consent was given

Consent has been given for the UK Government to make these corrections in relation to,

and on behalf of, Wales for reasons of efficiency, expediency and due to the technical nature of the amendments. The amendments have been considered fully; and there is no divergence in policy. These amendments are to ensure that the statute book remains functional following the UK's exit from the EU. This is in line with the principles for correcting agreed by the Cabinet Sub-Committee on European Transition in May.